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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Fasth on 12-21-07.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 58 has been canceled.

Claim 1, line 1, [the] was deleted;

Line 5, after 'holding', [the rock drill bits] was changed to

--- a rock drill bit ---;

Line 12, before 'grinding tools', --- one of a plurality of --- was inserted;

Line 14, after 'tips', ---, --- was inserted;

Line 15, after 'controlling', --- feed pressure and --- was inserted.

Claim 59, line 5,, after 'retain', --- one of a plurality of --- was inserted;

Line 10, after 'holding', [the rock drill bits] was changed to

--- a rock drill bit --- ;

line 12, [a] was changed to --- the ---;

line 13, [bits] was changed to --- bit----.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Eileen P. Morgan whose telephone number is 571.272.4488. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 7am-3:30pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Hail can be reached on 571.272.4485. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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